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Federated's March Same-Store Sales up 2.3%

CINCINNATI--(BUSINESS WIRE)--April 12, 2007--Federated Department Stores, Inc. (NYSE:FD)(NYSE Arca:FD) today reported total sales of \$2.288 billion for the five weeks ended April 7, 2007, an increase of 1.5 percent compared to total sales of \$2.255 billion in the same period last year. On a same-store basis, Federated's sales for March were up 2.3 percent. This compares with the company's guidance for a same-store sales increase of 2.5 percent to 4 percent in March.

For the year to date, Federated's sales totaled \$4.089 billion, up 0.8 percent from total sales of \$4.055 billion in the first nine weeks of 2006. On a same-store basis, Federated's year-to-date sales were up 1.8 percent.

"March sales fell just short of our expectations in most regions across the country, largely attributable to weakness in homerelated merchandise categories," said Terry J. Lundgren, Federated's chairman, president and chief executive officer. "Unseasonably cold weather as new spring merchandise flowed into the stores in the pre-Easter period also contributed to disappointing sales in the month."

Federated continues to expect same-store sales in April to increase by 2.5 percent to 4 percent. Sales in the first quarter are expected to be at the low end of previous guidance of \$6 billion to \$6.1 billion.

The company will host a presentation to analysts and investment professionals from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. ET on April 24 in New York City. A webcast of the presentation will be accessible to the media and general public in real time via the company's Web site at www.fds.com. The webcast will be archived for replay within 24 hours of the conclusion of the presentation.

Federated, with corporate offices in Cincinnati and New York, is one of the nation's premier retailers, with fiscal 2006 sales of \$27 billion. Federated operates more than 850 department stores in 45 states, the District of Columbia, Guam and Puerto Rico under the names of Macy's and Bloomingdale's. The company also operates macys.com, bloomingdales.com and Bloomingdale's By Mail. Contingent on shareholder approval, Federated's name will change to Macy's, Inc. and trade on the New York Stock Exchange under ticker symbol "M", effective June 1, 2007.

All statements in this press release that are not statements of historical fact are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements are based upon the current beliefs and expectations of Federated's management and are subject to significant risks and uncertainties. Actual results could differ materially from those expressed in or implied by the forward-looking statements contained in this release because of a variety of factors, including conditions to, or changes in the timing of, proposed transactions, prevailing interest rates, competitive pressures from specialty stores, general merchandise stores, manufacturers' outlets, off-price and discount stores, new and established forms of home shopping (including the Internet, mail-order catalogs and television) and general consumer spending levels, including the impact of the availability and level of consumer debt, the effect of weather and other factors identified in documents filed by the company with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

(NOTE: Additional information on Federated, including past news releases, is available at www.fds.com/pressroom)

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